



**MINUTES
SOLVANG CITY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2025**

Regular Meeting – 6:30 PM

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CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brown called the Regular meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chamber, 1644 Oak Street, Solvang, California.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor David Brown, Mayor pro tem Claudia Orona, Councilmembers Elizabeth Orona, Mark Infanti, Louise Smith

Staff: City Manager Randy Murphy, City Attorney Chelsea O'Sullivan (via Zoom), City Clerk Annamarie Porter, Administrative Services Director Wendy Berry, Public Works Director Bridget Paris, Assistant to the City Manager Olivia Uribe-Muta

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dennis Beebe led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. PROCLAMATIONS, COMMENDATIONS AND CEREMONIAL ITEMS

- a. Gerda's Iron Art Gift Shop Proclamation

2. PRESENTATIONS - None

3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS – NON-AGENDA AND CONSENT ITEMS

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

There were no public communications on Non-Agenda and Consent Items.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORT AND ADVANCE CALENDAR

Provided by City Manager Murphy.

5. GC SECTION 53232.3(d) (aka AB 1234) and GC SECTION 84308 (aka SB 1439) REPORT OUT, COUNCIL COMMENTS, REQUESTS

6. CONSENT ITEMS

- a. Approve Order of Agenda.
- b. Approve City Council Minutes: November 24, 2025
- c. Approve 2026 City Council Meeting Calendar
- d. Approve November Warrants

Motion by Mayor pro tem Claudia Orona to approve Consent Items, as presented, seconded by

Councilmember Infanti, and carried 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a. City Council Reorganization – appointment of a Mayor pro tem, seating arrangements and outside committees.

There were no public comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Infanti to appoint Councilmember Smith as Mayor pro tem for 2026, seconded by Mayor Brown, and carried 5-0

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to reorder Council seat assignments, by District, from the Mayor's right to left, seconded by Councilmember Infanti, and carried 5-0.

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to maintain the current Council outside committee assignments for 2026, seconded by Mayor Brown, and carried 5-0.

- b. Appoint two Councilmembers to Ad Hoc Budget committee

Administrative Services Director Berry presented details of the report.

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

Dennis Beebe

There were no other public comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona to establish the Budget Ad Hoc Committee for a temporary period of December 8, 2025 – June 30, 2026, with Councilmember C Orona and Councilmember Smith appointed to the Ad Hoc Committee, seconded by Councilmember Infanti, and carried 5-0.

- c. Approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Tetra Tech for Scope Modification to Fredensborg Canyon Road Multipurpose Trail (MPT) Project

Report provided by Public Works Director Paris.

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

Dennis Beebe

There were no other public comments on this item.

Motion by Councilmember Infanti to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Agreement with Tetra Tech for scope modification to Fredensborg Canyon Road Multipurpose Trail (MPT) Project, as modified, to add the impact of one-way traffic for Emergency responders input, affected community members' input, affect on speed, and addressing the direction of Northbound vs Southbound direction of the trail for access, seconded by Mayor pro tem Claudia Orona, and carried 5-0.

- d. Award Agreement for Comprehensive Emergency Planning Services to Atlas Planning Solutions

Report was provided by Assistant to the City Manager Uribe-Mutal.

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Councilmember Infanti to approve Agreement for Comprehensive Emergency Planning Services to Atlas Planning Solutions, including the recommended budget adjustment, seconded by Councilmember Elizabeth Orona, and carried 5-0.

- e. Approve 2nd Amendment to Agreement with California Consulting

Assistant to the City Manager Uribe-Mutal presented details of the report.

California Consulting representatives Sarkisyan, D'Ambrosio, Samuelian via Zoom

Mayor Brown invited public comments.

There were no public comments.

Motion by Mayor Brown to approve Amendment 2 to the Agreement with California Consultants, seconded by Councilmember Infanti, and carried 4-1, Councilmember E Orona was opposed.

9. COUNCIL CLOSING COMMENTS

10. ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Annamarie Porter, CMC, City Clerk